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MEMORANDUM FOR: Chief, Special Projects Branch, DPD

SUBJECT : Mission Requirements for CORONA Mission 9027

REFERENCE : Memorandum from Chief, Special Projects Branch, BPD,

dated 2 October 1961, COR-1338

Mission planning factors change as new intelligence requirements are determined; pioneer coverage is accomplished; vehicle life is increased; seasonal weather changes take place; and ephemeris reliability is improved. Therefore, I suggest that this mission, and each mission in the future, be the subject of a meeting between representatives of Special Projects Branch, Development Branch, Intelligence Staff, and Weather Staff. The purpose would be to consider possible operational concepts in the light of our most recent knowledge of the three primary controlling factors: i.e., technical capability, intelligence requirements and cloud cover, in order to produce the most effective mission plan. The Acting Chief, DPD would then be briefed on the program produced as a result of the meeting.

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